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 [reading and decoding the time code information from the composite signal and supplying the decoded time code information to a robot controller which controls the movement of the arm of the robot along the predetermined path of movement; and]

synchronizing the movement of the robot arm along the predetermined path of movement with the [decoded time code] video signal frame identification information during the generation of video signals from the storage medium such that the arm of the robot is positioned by the robot controller in the same position for each frame of video signal from the storage medium as when each frame of video signal was initially generated by the video camera.

Add the following new claims:

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11. The method of claim 10 wherein the step of generating video signal frame identification information comprises the step of:

generating time code information for each frame of video signal generated by the video camera.

1 12. A method of generating video images 2 comprising:

programming a robot to repeatedly move an end of a movable arm of the robot through a predetermined path of movement;

operating a video camera to generate video signals of visual images along the predetermined path of movement from the camera during movement of the arm of the robot along the predetermined path of movement;

storing the position coordinates of the robot arm along the predetermined path of movement for each distinct frame of the video signal generated by the video camera on a video signal frame-by-frame basis;

storing the video signals on a storage medium on a video signal frame-by-frame basis; and

synchronizing the movement of the robot arm 16 along the predetermined path of movement with each frame 17 of video signal during the generation of stored video 18 signals from the storage medium such that the arm of the 19 robot is positioned by the robot controller in the same 20 position for each frame of video signal operated from the 21 storage medium as when each frame of video signal was 22 initially generated by the video camera. 23

13. The method of claim 12 wherein the step of storing the position coordinates of the robot arm further comprises the steps of:

storing the position coordinates of the robot arm in a memory; and

storing with each position coordinate a unique video signal frame identification data.

14. The method of claim 13 wherein the step of synchronizing further comprises the steps of:

generating video signals from the storage medium on a frame-by-frame basis;

generating the video frame identification data for each frame of video signal generated from the storage medium;

accessing the memory to identify the position coordinates of the robot arm associated with each generated video signal identification data; and

moving the robot arm to the identified position coordinates on a video signal frame-by-frame basis as the video signals are generated from the storage medium.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2 and 10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103. Claims 3-9 are indicated as being allowable over the prior art of record.

Accordingly, claims 3, 5, 7 and 9 have been amended to place each of such claims in independent form

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